Anno Regni

GEORGII II.

REGIS

Magnæ Britanniæ, Franciæ, & Hiberniæ,

VICESIMO SEXTO.

At the Parliament begun and holden at *Weſtminſter*, the Tenth Day of *November*, *Anno Dom.* 1747, in the Twenty firſt Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of God, of *Great Britain*, *France*, and *Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, *&c.*

And from thence continued by ſeveral Prorogations to the Eleventh Day of *January*, 1753, being the Sixth Seſſion of this preſent Parliament.

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Georgii II. Regis.

An Act for the Purchase of the Museum, *or Collection of Sir* Hans Sloane, *and of the* Harleian *Collection of Manuscripts; and for providing One General Repository for the better Reception and more convenient Use of the said Collections; and of the* Cottonian Library, *and of the Additions thereto.*

Preamble, reciting the Codicil to the Will of Sir *Hans Sloane*.

WHEREAS Sir *Hans Sloane* of *Chelsea* in the County of *Middlesex* Baronet, having, through the Course of many Years,

with great Labour and Expence gathered together whatever could be procured either in our own or foreign Countries, that was rare and curious, did, by a Codicil bearing Date the Twentieth Day of *July*, in the Year of our Lord One thouſand ſeven hundred and forty nine, and annexed to his laſt Will and Teſtament, after having expreſſed his Will and Deſire that his Collection, in all its Branches, might be, if it were poſſible, kept and preſerved together Whole and Intire, in his Manor Houſe in the Pariſh of *Chelſea*, give, deviſe, and bequeath, to certain Truſtees therein named, all that his Collection or *Muſeum*, at, in, or about his ſaid Manor Houſe, conſiſting of all his

his Library of Books, Drawings, Manuſcripts, Prints, Medals, and Coins, ancient and modern Antiquities, Seals, Cameas, and Intaglios, Precious Stones, Agates, Jaſpers, Veſſels of Agate and Jaſper, Chryſtals, Mathematical Inſtruments, Drawings, and Pictures, and all other Things in the ſaid Collection or *Muſeum*, more particularly deſcribed and numbered, with ſhort Hiſtories or Accounts of them, with proper References in certain Catalogues by him made, containing Thirty eight Volumes in Folio, and Eight Volumes in Quarto, (except ſuch Pictures as are not marked with the Word Collection) to have and to hold to them and their Succeſſors and Aſſigns

for ever, for ſuch Purpoſes, and with ſuch Powers, and under ſuch Reſtrictions, as in the ſaid Codicil are expreſſed, willing and deſiring thereby, that the ſaid Truſtees, or any Seven or more of them, ſhould make their humble Application to His Majeſty, or to Parliament, at the next Seſſion after his Deceaſe, as ſhould be thought moſt proper, in order to pay the full and clear Sum of Twenty thouſand Pounds, of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, unto his Executors, or the Survivors of them, within Twelve Months after his Deceaſe, in Conſideration of the ſaid Collection or *Muſeum*; and alſo to obtain ſuch ſufficient and effectual Powers and Authori-

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ties for veſting in the ſaid Truſtees, all and every Part of his ſaid Collection or *Muſeum* before-mentioned, in all its Branches; and alſo his ſaid Capital Manor Houſe, with ſuch Gardens and Out-houſes as ſhould thereunto belong and be uſed by him, at the Time of his Deceaſe, and alſo the Water of or belonging to his Manor of *Chelſea* coming from *Kenſington*; and alſo obtain a ſufficient Fund or Proviſion for maintaining and taking Care of his ſaid Collection and Premiſſes, and for repairing and ſupporting his ſaid Manor Houſe, Water-work and Premiſſes; but in caſe Payment of the ſaid Sum of Twenty thouſand Pounds ſhould not be had and obtained, and made

unto his Executors, or the Survivors of them, within Twelve Months next after his Deceaſe, and no ſuch Act of Parliament ſhould be obtained, for ſettling, preſerving, eſtabliſhing, maintaining, and continuing, his ſaid Collection and Premiſſes, in ſuch Manner as in his ſaid Codicil is expreſſed, then and not otherwiſe, his Will was, and he did in ſuch Caſe thereby direct, That his ſaid Executors, or the Survivors of them, ſhould, for the like Sum of Twenty thouſand Pounds, ſell and diſpoſe of all and every Part of the ſaid Collection and *Muſeum*, as before deſcribed, together with the Catalogues thereto belonging, for the Uſe of the ſeveral foreign Academies therein deſcribed,

ſcribed, and in the Manner therein mentioned; and that in caſe the ſaid Offer ſhould not be accepted by either of the ſaid foreign Academies, his Executors, or the Survivors of them, ſhould be at Liberty with all convenient Speed to ſell and diſpoſe of all and every Part of his ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection, in the moſt ſpeedy and advantageous Manner; and that the Monies ariſing by ſuch Sale or Diſpoſition ſhould be conſidered as Part of his Perſonal Eſtate; and further his Will was, and he did thereby direct, That in caſe his ſaid Collection ſhould be ſold or diſpoſed of to either of the ſaid foreign Academies, or in caſe of their Refuſal, or Non-acceptance by his Executors,

tors, or the Survivors of them, that then his ſaid Manor Houſe and Garden, with the Appurtenances and the Water, ſhould go and belong to ſuch Perſon or Perſons, and in ſuch Manner, as he had given and deviſed the reſt of his Manors, Lands, and Tenements at *Chelſea*, or elſewhere, as by the ſaid Codicil, Relation being thereunto had, may more fully and at large appear: And whereas the ſaid Sir *Hans Sloane* having, by ſeveral other Codicils of a ſubſequent Date, annexed to his ſaid Will, added to the Number of the ſaid Truſtees, did, on or about the Eleventh Day of *January*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty three, depart this Life: And whereas the ſaid Truſtees, or

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Seven or more of them, have, purſuant to the will and Intention of the ſaid Sir *Hans Sloane*, in this Seſſion of Parliament, being the next Seſſion after his Deceaſe, made their Application for Payment of the ſaid Sum of Twenty thouſand Pounds, in Conſideration of the ſaid Collection or *Muſeum*: And whereas the ſaid Truſtees, at a General Meeting aſſembled, have conſented to the Removal of the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection from the Manor Houſe at *Chelſea*, to any proper Place within the Cities of *London* or *Weſtminſter*, or the Suburbs thereof, if ſuch Removal ſhall be judged moſt advantageous to the Publick, ſo as the ſaid Collection be preſerved intire without the

the leaſt Diminution or Separation, and be kept for the Uſe and Benefit of the Publick, with free Acceſs to view and peruſe the ſame, at all ſtated and convenient Seaſons, agreeable to the Will and Intentions of the Teſtator, and under ſuch Reſtrictions as the Parliament ſhall think fit: And whereas the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection of Sir *Hans Sloane* is of much greater intrinſick Value than the Sum of Twenty thouſand Pounds: And whereas all Arts and Sciences have a Connection with each other, and Diſcoveries in Natural Philoſophy, and other Branches of ſpeculative Knowledge, for the Advancement and Improvement whereof the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection was intended, do and may,

may, in many Inſtances, give Help and Succeſs to the moſt uſeful Experiments and Inventions; Therefore to the end that the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection may be preſerved and maintained, not only for the Inſpection and Entertainment of the Learned and the Curious, but for the General Uſe and Benefit of the Publick; May it pleaſe Your moſt Excellent Majeſty, that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That out of all or any of the Monies to be raiſed by virtue of this

The Sum of 20,000 *l.* to be paid to the Executors of Sir *Hans Sloane*, in full Satisfaction for his *Muſeum*, &c.

this Act, the full and clear Sum of Twenty thouſand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, ſhall be paid in manner herein after-mentioned to the Executors of Sir *Hans Sloane*, or the Survivors or Survivor of them, in full Satisfaction for the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection herein before deſcribed, and for the Uſe of the ſaid Manor Houſe and Garden, with their Appurtenances, and of the ſaid Water, until a more convenient Repoſitory, more durable and more ſafe from Fire, and nearer to the chief Places of publick Reſort, ſhall be provided for the Reception of the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection, in manner herein after-mentioned.

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And whereas by an Act made in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Years of the Reign of King *William* the Third, intituled, *An Act for the better ſettling and preſerving the Library kept in the Houſe at* Weſtminſter, *called* Cotton Houſe, *in the Name and Family of the* Cottons, *for the Benefit of the Publick*, reciting, That Sir *Robert Cotton*, late of *Connington* in the County of *Huntingdon*, Baronet, did, at his own great Charge, and by the Aſſiſtance of the moſt learned Antiquaries of his Time, collect and purchaſe the moſt uſeful Manuſcripts, written Books, Papers, Parchments, Records, and other Memorials, in moſt Languages, of great Uſe and

Recital of Clauſes in the Act of 12 & 13 *Will.* III. concerning the *Cottonian Library*;

Service for the Knowledge and Preservation of our Constitution both in Church and State; and further reciting, That the said Library had been preserved with the utmost Care by Sir *Thomas Cotton*, Son of the said Sir *Robert*, and by Sir *John Cotton* then living, Grandson of the said Sir *Robert*; and had been very much augmented by them, and lodged in a very proper Place in the said Sir *John*'s ancient Mansion House at *Westminster*, for publick Use and Advantage; it was enacted, That the said Mansion House, with the Garden, and all other Appurtenances, and also the said Library, should be vested in Trustees in the said Act named, and their Successors, for

for ever, for the Purpoſes therein mentioned; and as for and concerning the ſaid Library, and the Room wherein the ſame was or ſhould be contained, together with a convenient Paſſage for reſorting thereunto, upon this Truſt and Confidence, that the ſaid Truſtees, and their Succeſſors, ſhould, from time to time, and at all Times thereafter, as Occaſion ſhould require, inſpect, conſult, and take care of the ſaid Library, and other Particulars above-mentioned, and alſo make and appoint ſuch Orders and Rules as they ſhould think proper, for the reading and uſing the ſame, and for their better Preſervation, and to the Intent and Purpoſe that the ſaid Truſtees,

or the major Part of them, ſhould nominate and appoint a good and ſufficient Perſon, well read in Antiquities and Records, to have the immediate Care and Cuſtody of the ſaid Library: And whereas by an Act made in the Fifth Year of the Reign of Queen *Anne*, intituled, *An Act for the better ſecuring Her Majeſty's Purchaſe of* Cotton Houſe *in* Weſtminſter; reciting the ſaid former Act made in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Year of the Reign of King *William* the Third; and alſo reciting, that ſince the making of the ſaid Act, very little had been done in purſuance thereof, to make the ſaid Library uſeful to the Publick, except what had been then lately done at Her

and in the Act of 5 *Annæ*.

Her Majeſty's Charge, and that there was no Way or Paſſage to ſet it out, as the ſaid Act did direct, nor could there be any Way or Paſſage to the ſame, but through the beſt Rooms of the Houſe, which would render the Houſe wholly uſeleſs to the Family; ſo that the Library could not be reſorted unto, nor had any Orders or Rules been appointed for reading or uſing the ſame, and thereby the Publick was wholly deprived of the Benefit deſigned by the ſaid Act; and that the Place wherein the ſaid Library was then contained, was a narrow little Room, damp and improper for preſerving the Books and Papers; and that Her Majeſty, to the Intent ſo great a Trea-

sure of Books and Manuscripts, so generously given for the publick Service, might not remain any longer useless, and in Danger of perishing for want of due Care, and that it might be in Her Majesty's Power to make that most valuable Collection useful to Her own Subjects, and all learned Foreigners, had given Directions for treating with the said Sir *John Cotton* for the Purchase of the said *Cotton House* and Garden; and that an Agreement had been made for the Purchasing the Inheritance thereof for the Sum of Four thousand and five hundred Pounds, which Her Majesty had directed to be paid on the investing the Inheritance of the Premisses in Her Majesty,

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Her Heirs, and Succeſſors, which could not be done but by Act of Parliament, the ſaid recited Act having directed it might not be ſold or aliened; it was therefore enacted, That the ſaid Capital Meſſuage called *Cotton Houſe*, and the Garden and Buildings uſed and enjoyed with the ſame, with the Appurtenances, ſhould be veſted in Her Majeſty, Her Heirs, and Succeſſors: And it was thereby further enacted and declared, That a convenient Room ſhould be built in or near Part of the ſaid Ground thereby intended to be veſted in Her Majeſty, as Her Majeſty, Her Heirs, and Succeſſors ſhould, by Writing under the Sign Manual, appoint; in which Room, when built, all

the ſaid Manuſcripts, Written Books, Papers, Parchiments, Records, and other Memorials, as alſo all Coins, Medals, and other Rarities and Curioſities in the ſaid Library contained, ſhould be lodged and there remain to all Poſterity; and that the ſaid Room, when built, ſhould for ever be called and known by the Name of the *Cottonian Library*; and that from the Building thereof, the ſaid Library ſhould be managed and directed by the Truſtees therein named, as Truſtees to and for the Uſe of the Publick for ever: And whereas although the publick Faith hath been thus engaged to provide for the better Reception and more convenient Uſe of the *Cottonian*

tonian Library, a proper Repoſitory for that Purpoſe hath not yet been prepared; for the want of which, the ſaid Library did, in the Year of our Lord One thouſand ſeven hundred and thirty one, ſuffer by a Fire, which conſumed the Houſe wherein the ſame was then placed, and what remains of the ſaid Library ſtill continues in the Room, to which upon the Occaſion of the ſaid Fire it was removed; and Perſons deſirous to view and conſult the Treaſure of Books and Manuſcripts therein contained, cannot conveniently reſort thereunto: And whereas *Arthur Edwards*, late of Saint *George Hanover Square*, in the County of *Middleſex*, Eſquire, being deſirous to preſerve

Recital of Part of the Will of *Arthur Edwards*, Eſq;

ſerve for the publick Uſe the ſaid Library, and to prevent the like Accident for the future, did, by his Laſt Will and Teſtament, bearing Date the Eleventh Day of *June*, in the Year of our Lord One thouſand ſeven hundred and thirty eight, and duly proved in the Prerogative Court of *Canterbury*, give, deviſe, and bequeath, unto the Truſtees of the ſaid Library, the Sum of Seven thouſand Pounds (if his Effects real and perſonal, not before diſpoſed of by that his Will and Teſtament, ſhould, after the Deceaſe of Miſtreſs *Elizabeth Milles*, amount to ſo much) to erect in a proper Situation ſuch a Houſe as might be moſt likely to preſerve that Library, as much

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as can be from all Accidents; but if it ſhould ſo happen, that before this Part of his Will could take place, there ſhould be erected ſuch a proper Building for this Uſe, then he did give, deviſe, and bequeath the aforeſaid Sum of Seven thouſand Pounds to the ſaid Truſtees, to be employed in purchaſing ſuch Manuſcripts, Books of Antiquities, ancient Coins, Medals, and other Curioſities, as might be worthy to increaſe and enlarge the ſaid Library; and did alſo thereby give to the ſaid Truſtees of the ſaid Library, to be placed in ſome By-room or Corner thereof, all his Books, and the Caſes in which they were then placed, and alſo his Pictures in his ſaid Laſt Will

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and Teſtament deſcribed; which Books, Book Caſes, and Pictures, he did deſire and require might be delivered and given, as ſoon after his Deceaſe as might be, to be placed in the ſaid Library; and which, with the Approbation of the ſaid Truſtees, have been placed according to ſuch Deſire in the ſaid Library; be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when and as ſoon as the ſaid Legacy of Seven thouſand Pounds ſhall on the Deceaſe of the ſaid *Elizabeth Milles* become payable to the Truſtees of the *Cottonian Library*, the ſame ſhall be paid to the Truſtees by this Act appointed, for the Purpoſes herein after mentioned, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as by the ſaid

The ſaid Legacy of 7000 *l.* on the Deceaſe of *Elizabeth Milles*, to be paid to and applied by the Truſtees appointed by this Act.

ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, in any General Meeting aſſembled, ſhall be authorized to receive the ſame; to be applied by the ſaid Truſtees hereby appointed, either towards erecting or providing a proper Repoſitory for the *Cottonian Library*; or if ſuch Repoſitory ſhall be erected or provided before the ſaid Legacy ſhall become payable as aforeſaid, towards purchaſing ſuch Manuſcripts, Books of Antiquities, ancient Coins, Medals, and other Curioſities, as may be worthy to increaſe and enlarge the ſaid Library; and that the Acquittance of any Perſon or Perſons authorized by the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, in a General Meeting aſſem-

assembled to receive the said Legacy of Seven thousand Pounds, shall be, and be accepted as a sufficient Discharge to the Executors and Representatives of the said Testator, for the Payment of the said Legacy.

And whereas the Right Honourable *Henrietta Cavendish Holles*, Countess of *Oxford* and Countess *Mortimer*, Relict of *Edward* Earl of *Oxford* and Earl *Mortimer*, and the Most Noble *Margaret Cavendish* Dutchess of *Portland* their only Daughter, have expressed their Approbation of a Proposal for the Purchase of the valuable Collection of Manuscripts, collected by the said Earl, and by *Robert* Earl of *Oxford* and Earl *Mortimer* his

his Father, in Conſideration of the Sum of Ten thouſand Pounds, upon Condition that the ſame ſhall be kept together in a proper Repoſitory, as an Addition to the *Cottonian Library*, and be called by the Name of the *Harleian Collection of Manuſcripts*; be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That out of the Monies to be raiſed by virtue of this Act, the full and clear Sum of Ten thouſand Pounds ſhall be paid by Order of the ſaid Truſtees hereby appointed for the Purpoſes herein after mentioned, to the Truſtees for the ſaid Earl and Counteſs, to whom by an Indenture *quadrupartite* made the Second Day of *Auguſt*, in the Eleventh Year of the Reign

The Sum of 10,000 *l.* to be paid to the Truſtees of the Earl and Counteſs of *Oxford* and *Mortimer*, for the *Harleian* Collection of Manuſcripts, which are to be placed in the ſame Repoſitory with the *Cottonian Library*.

of His preſent Majeſty, and in the Year of our Lord One thouſand ſeven hundred and thirty ſeven, the ſaid Collection of Manuſcripts among other Things was aſſigned for the Purpoſes in the ſaid Indenture mentioned; the ſaid Collection of Manuſcripts to be placed and continued in the ſame Repoſitory in which the *Cottonian Library* is herein after directed to be placed, and until the ſaid Repoſitory ſhall be erected or provided, in manner herein after mentioned; to be preſerved in the Place where the ſame is now lodged, or in ſome other convenient Place to be approved by the ſaid Truſtees by this Act appointed, or the major Part of them, in a General

neral Meeting aſſembled, at the Coſts and Charges of the ſaid Truſtees for the ſaid Earl and Counteſs, and of the Survivors and Survivor of them, and the Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns of ſuch Survivor, and of the Perſon or Perſons to whoſe Uſe the ſaid Sum of Ten thouſand Pounds ſhall be payable for the ſaid Collection.

Truſtees appointed for putting this Act in Execution;

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Archbiſhop of *Canterbury* for the time being, the Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of *Great Britain* for the time being, the Lord Treaſurer of *Great Britain*, or the Firſt Commiſſioner of the Treaſury for the time being, the Lord

Preſident of the Council for the time being, the Lord Privy Seal for the time being, the Lord High Admiral of *Great Britain*, or the Firſt Commiſſioner of the Admiralty for the time being, the Lord Steward of His Majeſty's Houſhold for the time being, the Lord Chamberlain of His Majeſty's Houſhold for the time being, the Biſhop of *London* for the time being, each of the Principal Secretaries of State for the time being, being a Peer or Lord of Parliament, the Speaker of the Houſe of Commons for the time being, each of the Principal Secretaries of State for the time being, not being a Peer or Lord of Parliament, the Chancellor of the Exchequer

quer for the time being, the Lord Chief Juſtice of the Court of *King's Bench* for the time being, the Maſter of the Rolls for the time being, the Chief Juſtice of His Majeſty's Court of *Common Pleas* at *Weſtminſter* for the time being, His Majeſty's Attorney General for the time being, His Majeſty's Solicitor General for the time being, the Preſident of the Royal Society for the time being, the Preſident of the College of Phyſicians for the time being, together with the Right Honourable *Charles* Lord *Cadogan*, and *Hans Stanley* Eſquire, and together with *Samuel Borroughs* and *Thomas Hart*, Eſquires, Two of the preſent Truſtees of the *Cottonian Li-*

brary (having been so appointed by the Heirs Male of the Body of the said Sir *Robert Cotton*, in pursuance of the said herein before-recited Acts made in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Years of the Reign of King *William* the Third, and in the Fifth Year of the Reign of Queen *Anne*) and together with the Most Noble *William* Duke of *Portland*, and the Right Honourable *Edward* Earl of *Oxford* and Earl *Mortimer*, shall be Trustees for putting this Act in Execution; and that they, or the major Part of them, in a General Meeting assembled, whereof the said Archbishop of *Canterbury*, the Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper, and the Speaker of the House of Commons,

who are to appoint Fifteen other Persons to be Associates to them,

mons, ſhall be Three, ſhall, in ſuch Manner as they ſhall think fit, elect and nominate Fifteen other Perſons to be aſſociated to them in the Execution of the Truſts hereby in them repoſed; which Fifteen Perſons, ſo elected and nominated, ſhall be and continue for the Term of their natural Lives, Truſtees for putting this Act in Execution, with the like Power, in all Reſpects, as hereby is given to the Truſtees herein before firſt appointed; and when any of the ſaid Truſtees ſo elected and nominated ſhall die, the Truſtees herein before firſt appointed, and their Succeſſors, ſhall in like Manner elect and nominate a fit Perſon or Perſons to ſupply the Place or

who are to continue Truſtees for Life.

Election of new Truſtees to be made in the Room of ſuch as ſhall die.

Places of him or them ſo dying; and ſo *toties quoties*, as any of the ſaid Truſtees ſo elected and nominated, or others ſo elected and nominated, to ſupply their Places, ſhall happen to die.

Nomination of a Truſtee vacant by the Death of Lord *Cadogan*, or *Hans Stanley*.

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when either the ſaid *Charles* Lord *Cadogan*, or *Hans Stanley*, ſhall die, it ſhall and may be lawful for the Survivor to nominate another fit Perſon to ſucceed the deceaſed in the Place of a Truſtee ſo vacant; and after the Deceaſe of both of them (the ſaid *Charles* Lord *Cadogan*, and *Hans Stanley*) it ſhall and may be lawful for the Heirs Male of their Bodies; and upon Failure of the

Heirs Male of the Body of either of them, to and for the Heirs Male of the Body of the other of them, being of full Age, or their reſpective Guardian or Guardians during their Minority, to nominate a Truſtee for the Purpoſes of this Act, in the Room of the Perſon laſt nominated by the Survivor of them; and ſo as often as any Perſon ſupplying the Place of the ſaid *Charles* Lord *Cadogan*, or *Hans Stanley*, ſhall happen to die.

Nomination of a Truſtee vacant by the Death of *Samuel Burroughs*, or *Thomas Hart*.

Provided alſo, and be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when either the ſaid *Samuel Burroughs*, or *Thomas Hart* ſhall die, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for *Frances Hanbury* Widow, and Relict of *Francis Hanbury* Eſquire,

(which *Frances Hanbury* is the Heir-general of the ſaid Sir *Robert Cotton*) and after her Deceaſe to and for the Heirs Male of her Body, being of full Age; and in Default of ſuch Iſſue, to and for her Firſt, Second, Third, Fourth, and every other Daughter, ſeverally, ſucceſſively, and in Remainder one after another, in Order and Courſe, as they reſpectively ſhall be in Priority of Birth; and the ſeveral and reſpective Heirs Male of the Bodies of ſuch Daughters, being of full Age, or the reſpective Guardians of the Heirs Male of the ſaid *Frances* and of her ſaid Daughters, during their Minority; to nominate another fit Perſon to ſupply the Place of the deceaſed Truſtee, and ſo

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as often as any Perſon ſupplying the Place of either of the ſaid Truſtees ſhall happen to die.

Nomination of a Truſtee vacant by the Death of *William* Duke of *Portland*, or *Edward* Earl of *Oxford* and Earl *Mortimer*.

Provided alſo, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when either the ſaid *William* Duke of *Portland*, or the ſaid *Edward* Earl of *Oxford* and Earl *Mortimer*, herein before appointed Truſtees for the Purpoſes of this Act ſhall die, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Counteſs of *Oxford* and Counteſs *Mortimer*, and the ſaid Dutcheſs of *Portland*, or the Survivor of them, and after the Deceaſe of the ſaid Counteſs and Dutcheſs, to and for the Heirs Male of the Body of the ſaid Dutcheſs, being of full Age, or their Guardian or Guardians,

Guardians, during their Minority; and upon Failure of ſuch Heirs Male, to and for the Heirs Male of the Body of *Edward* now Earl of *Oxford* and Earl *Mortimer*, being of full Age, or their Guardian or Guardians, during their Minority; to nominate another fit Perſon to ſupply the Place of the ſaid Duke or the ſaid Earl; and upon the Death of any Perſon ſo ſupplying the Place of either of them, to nominate another fit Perſon in his Stead; and ſo as often as any Perſon ſo ſupplying the Place of either of them ſhall happen to die.

Truſtees ſo nominated, inveſted with like Powers as thoſe nominated in the Act.

And be it declared and enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Truſtees ſo to be nominated by the Survivor of

of the ſaid *Charles* Lord *Cadogan* and *Hans Stanley*, and by the Heirs Male of the Bodies of them, or either of them, or the reſpective Guardians of ſuch Heirs Male, in Manner aforeſaid, and by the ſaid Counteſs and Dutcheſs, or the Survivor of them, or by ſuch Heirs Male of the ſaid Dutcheſs, or of the ſaid now Earl of *Oxford* and Earl *Mortimer*, as aforeſaid, or by their Guardian or Guardians, in Manner aforeſaid, ſhall have the like Power in all Reſpects in the Execution of this Act, as is hereby given to the Truſtees herein before firſt named and deſcribed.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That within the Cities of *London* or *Weſtminſter*,

A General Repository to be provided for the Reception of *Sloane*'s *Museum*, the *Cottonian Library*, *Harleian* Manuscripts, and *Edwards*'s Additions.

Westminster, or the Suburbs thereof, One General Repository shall be erected or provided in such convenient Place, and in such Manner, as the Trustees hereby appointed, or the major Part of them, at a General Meeting assembled, shall direct, for the Reception, not only of the said *Museum*, or Collection of Sir *Hans Sloane*, but also of the *Cottonian Library*, and of the Additions which have been or shall be made thereunto, by virtue of the last Will and Testament of the said *Arthur Edwards*, and likewise of the said *Harleian* Collection of Manuscripts, and of such other Additions to the *Cottonian Library*, as with the Approbation of the Trustees by this

this Act appointed, or the major Part of them, at a General Meeting aſſembled, ſhall be made thereunto, in manner herein after mentioned, and of ſuch other Collections and Libraries as with the like Approbation ſhall be admitted into the ſaid General Repoſitory; which ſeveral Collections, Additions, and Library, ſo received into the ſaid General Repoſitory, ſhall remain and be preſerved therein for publick Uſe, to all Poſterity.

The *Muſeum* to be kept intire.

Provided always, That the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection of Sir *Hans Sloane* in all its Branches, ſhall be kept and preſerved together in the ſaid General Repoſitory, whole and intire, and with proper Marks of Diſtinction.

Provided

The *Harleian* Collection to be an Addition to the *Cottonian Library*.

Provided alſo, That the ſaid *Harleian* Collection of Manuſcripts ſhall be kept together in the ſaid General Repoſitory, as an Addition to the *Cottonian Library*.

The *Muſeum* to remain in the Manor Houſe, till a General Repoſitory be provided, under the Care of a Perſon to be nominated for that Purpoſe.

Provided always, That until the ſaid General Repoſitory ſhall be erected or provided in manner before-mentioned, the ſaid Collection or *Muſeum* of Sir *Hans Sloane* ſhall remain in his ſaid Manor Houſe for publick Uſe, under the Care of ſuch Perſon or Perſons as by the ſaid Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, Lord Chancellor, or Lord Keeper, and the Speaker of the Houſe of Commons, or any Two of them, ſhall be nominated for that Purpoſe; with ſuch Salary or Salaries, and Allowances for attending

attending and preſerving the ſame, as by all the Truſtees by this Act appointed, or the major Part of them in a General Meeting aſſembled, ſhall be limited and directed; and the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection ſhall there be viſited and ſeen by all Perſons deſirous to view the ſame, under ſuch Rules as by the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, in like Manner aſſembled, ſhall be eſtabliſhed; and that until the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection ſhall be removed to the ſaid General Repoſitory hereby intended to be erected or provided, the Expence of preſerving the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection, and of repairing and ſupporting the ſaid Manor Houſe and Premiſſes, ſhall be

be defrayed by the ſaid Truſtees out of ſuch Monies as ſhall be payable to them for that Purpoſe by virtue of this Act.

When the *Muſeum* ſhall be removed, the Manor Houſe, *&c.* to go with the other Lands deviſed by Sir *Hans Sloane.*

Provided alſo, and be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when, and as ſoon as, the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection ſhall be removed into the ſaid General Repoſitory, then, and from thenceforth, the ſaid Manor Houſe and Garden, with their Appurtenances and Water, ſhall go and belong to ſuch Perſon or Perſons, and in ſuch Manner, as the ſaid Sir *Hans Sloane* hath given and deviſed the reſt of his ſaid Manors, Lands, and Tenements, at *Chelſea*, or elſewhere.

That

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That for the better Execution of the Purpoſes of this Act, the ſaid Truſtees hereby appointed ſhall be a Body Politick and Corporate, in Deed and Name, and have Succeſſion for ever, by the Name of *The Truſtees of the* Britiſh Muſeum; and by that Name ſhall ſue and be ſued, implead and be impleaded, in all Courts and Places within this Realm; and ſhall have Power to have and uſe a Common Seal to be appointed by themſelves; and to make By-laws and Ordinances for the Purpoſes of this Act; and to aſſemble together, when, where, and as often, and upon ſuch Notice, as to them ſhall ſeem

The Truſtees incorporated by the Name of *The Truſtees of the* Britiſh Muſeum, &c.

meet, for the Execution of the Truſt hereby in them repoſed; and ſhall alſo have full Power, Capacity, and Ability, to purchaſe, take, hold, and enjoy, for the Purpoſes of this Act, as well Goods and Chattles, as Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, ſo as the yearly Value of ſuch Lands ſhall not exceed Five hundred Pounds above all Charges and Reprizes; the Statute of *Mortmain*, or any other Statute and Law to the contrary thereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

Truſtees impowered to make Statutes for the Preſervation, &c. of the ſaid Collections,

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Truſtees ſo appointed and incorporated by this Act, or the major Part of them, at any General Meeting

ing aſſembled, ſhall, from time to time, and as often as they ſhall think fit, make, conſtitute, and eſtabliſh, ſuch Statutes, Rules, and Ordinances, for the Cuſtody, Preſervation, and Inſpection, of every Part of the ſeveral Collections hereby intended to remain in the ſaid General Repoſitory, as to them ſhall ſeem meet; and ſhall and may in like Manner aſſign ſuch Salaries and Allowances as they ſhall think fit, to the Officers and Servants, who in Manner herein after mentioned ſhall be appointed to attend and aſſiſt in the Care and Preſervation of the ſeveral Collections contained in the ſaid General Repoſitory; and ſhall and may at their Pleaſure, in like Manner ſu-

and to appoint Salaries to their Officers.

ſpend or remove any ſuch Officer or Servant, for Misbehaviour or Neglect of Duty.

Nomination of the Principal Librarian.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Principal Librarian, to whom the Care and Cuſtody of the ſaid General Repoſitory ſhall be chiefly committed, ſhall, from time to time, be nominated and appointed in Manner following; that is to ſay, The ſaid Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper, and the Speaker of the Houſe of Commons, or any Two of them, ſhall recommend to His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors, Two Perſons, each of whom they ſhall judge fit to execute the ſaid Office; and ſuch of the ſaid Two Perſons ſo recommended

commended, as His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors, by Writing under His or Their Sign Manual ſhall appoint, after he ſhall become bound to the ſaid Truſtees by this Act appointed, for the due and faithful Diſcharge of his Office, in ſuch penal Sum not being leſs than One thouſand Pounds, as the ſaid Truſtees, at any General Meeting aſſembled, or the major Part of them, ſhall think proper, ſhall have and hold the ſaid Office, during ſuch Time as he ſhall behave well therein.

Nomination of the reſt of the Officers and Servants.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the reſt of the Officers and Servants, whoſe Attendance and Aſſiſtance ſhall be neceſſary in the Care and Preſervation

ſervation of the ſaid General Repoſitory, ſhall, from time to time, be nominated and appointed by the ſaid Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, Lord Chancellor, or Lord Keeper, and the Speaker of the Houſe of Commons, or any Two of them.

No Officer's Place to be ſupplied by a Deputy.

Provided always, That no ſuch Perſon to whom the Care and Cuſtody of the ſaid General Repoſitory ſhall be chiefly committed, nor any of the reſt of the ſaid Officers or Servants, unleſs in Caſes of occaſional Sickneſs, or other neceſſary Cauſe of Abſence, to be approved by the ſaid Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper, and the Speaker of the Houſe of Commons, or any Two of of them, ſhall be permitted to

to ſupply his Place by a Deputy.

Provided nevertheleſs, That the Perſon to whom in Manner aforeſaid the Care and Cuſtody of the ſaid General Repoſitory ſhall be chiefly committed, ſhall and may be aſſiſted by ſuch ſubordinate Officers and Servants, as in Manner aforeſaid ſhall be appointed, continually to aſſiſt him in the Execution of his Duty. Aſſiſtants and ſubordinate Officers allowed.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid *Muſeum*, or Collection of Sir *Hans Sloane*, from and after Payment of the ſaid Sum of Twenty thouſand Pounds, and the ſaid Manor Houſe and Garden, with the Appurtenances and Water, *Sloane*'s *Muſeum*, *Cottonian Library*, and *Harleian* Collection, veſted in the Truſtees, in Truſt for the publick Uſe.

until the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection ſhall be removed to the ſaid General Repoſitory; and alſo the ſaid *Cottonian Library* and Additions thereunto; and the ſaid *Harleian* Collection of Manuſcripts, from and after Payment of the ſaid Sum of Ten thouſand Pounds; and the ſaid General Repoſitory, when the ſame ſhall be erected or provided for the Uſe thereof, ſhall be veſted in the ſaid Truſtees by this Act appointed, and their Succeſſors, for ever; upon this Truſt and Confidence nevertheleſs, That a free Acceſs to the ſaid General Repoſitory, and to the Collections therein contained, ſhall be given to all ſtudious and curious Perſons, at ſuch Times, and

and in ſuch Manner, and under ſuch Regulations for inſpecting and conſulting the ſaid Collections, as by the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, in any General Meeting aſſembled, ſhall be limited for that Purpoſe.

His Majeſty may grant to the Truſtees any Meſſuage or Building, *&c.* in Perpetuity, for a General Repoſitory.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors, at any Time hereafter, by Letters Patent or Indenture, under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, to give and grant unto the ſaid Truſtees and their Succeſſors, in Perpetuity, for the Purpoſes of this Act, the Right or Uſe in or of any Room, Meſſuage, or Building, or Rooms, Meſſuages, or Buildings,

Buildings, with the Appurtenances, or any Ground or Site requiſite for the Erection of the ſaid General Repoſitory, or for making any Addition thereto; any Reſtrictions, or Matter or Thing contained in an Act of Parliament made in the Firſt Year of the Reign of Her late Majeſty Queen *Anne*, intituled, *An Act for the better Support of Her Majeſty's Houſhold, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown*; or any other Law or Statute in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

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Bodies Politick and Corporate, &c. impowered to diſpoſe of Lands, &c. to the Truſtees for ſuch Repoſitory.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for all Bodies Politick and Corporate, Truſtees, Mortgagees, and Feoffees in Truſt,

Truſt, Guardians and Committees for Infants, Lunaticks and Ideots, Executors and Adminiſtrators whatſoever, and to and for all Femes Covert, who are or ſhall be ſeiſed of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, in their own Right, and to and for all and every other Perſon and Perſons whomſoever, who are or ſhall be ſeiſed, poſſeſſed of, or intereſted in, any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to ſell and convey to the ſaid Truſtees and their Succeſſors, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they, or the major Part of them, at any General Meeting aſſembled, ſhall appoint, all ſuch Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Eſtates, and Intereſts, or any Part thereof,

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as the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, ſhall purchaſe, for the Purpoſe of erecting or providing ſuch General Repoſitory as aforeſaid; and all Contracts, Agreements, Sales, and Conveyances which ſhall be made by any ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Collegiate, or other Perſons aforeſaid, ſhall be valid and effectual to all Intents and Purpoſes; any Law, Statute, Uſage, or any other Matter or Thing to the contrary notwithſtanding: And that every ſuch Sum of Money as ſhall be paid for the Purchaſe of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to or for the Uſe of any ſuch Body Politick or Corporate, or other Perſon as aforeſaid, ſhall be reſpectively

Money to be laid out to the ſame Uſes as Lands, &c. purchaſed were ſettled to;

tively laid out in the Purchaſe of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and ſettled to and upon, and ſubject to ſuch Titles, Uſes, Truſts, Limitations, Remainders, and Contingencies, as the ſaid Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, purchaſed by the ſaid Truſtees, were ſettled, limited, and aſſured, at the Time of ſuch Purchaſe, and ſhall be held and enjoyed accordingly; and that until ſuch Purchaſes ſhall be made, the Money ſhall be veſted in ſome of the publick Funds, or Government Securities, at Intereſt, which ſhall be paid to or for the Uſe of ſuch Perſon or Perſons as would have been intitled to the Rents and Profits of ſuch Lands,

and to be veſted in the publick Funds till Purchaſe be made.

Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments.

Reſervation to all other Perſons intereſted, of their Rights to the Premiſſes, veſted in the Truſtees.

Saving nevertheleſs to His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors, and to all and every Perſon and Perſons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, their Heirs and Succeſſors, Executors, or Adminiſtrators, other than and except the Truſtees and Viſitors by the ſaid Sir *Hans Sloane* appointed by his Codicil herein before recited, and other than and except the Truſtees of the *Cottonian Library*, and the Truſtees for the ſaid Counteſs of *Oxford* and Counteſs *Mortimer*, all ſuch Right, Title, Eſtate, or Intereſt, in or to the Premiſſes hereby veſted in the Truſtees by this Act appointed, and their Succeſſors, as they, or any of them,

them, had or might enjoy if this Act had not been made; any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

300,000 *l.* to be raiſed for the Purpoſes of this Act, and Natives or Foreigners may contribute thereto in the Proportions, and at the Times, herein limited.

And for raiſing Money to ſatisfy and diſcharge the ſeveral Sums that will be neceſſary for the Purpoſes afore-mentioned; be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall and may be lawful for any Perſon, Native or Foreigner, or Body Politick or Corporate, to contribute or advance for or towards raiſing a Sum not exceeding Three hundred thouſand Pounds in the Whole, by paying at or before the reſpective Days or Times herein after appointed in that Behalf, unto ſuch Receivers as ſhall be in purſuance of this Act

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appointed for that Purpoſe, or One of them, the Sum of Three Pounds, or divers entire Sums of Three Pounds, ſo as no Perſon, or Body Politick or Corporate, ſhall be allowed to contribute more than Twenty ſuch entire Sums; for which Sum or Sums ſo advanced, every ſuch Contributor ſo advanceing the ſame, ſhall be intitled to receive by virtue of this Act ſuch Sum or Sums of Money as is or are hereby directed or appointed; and every ſuch Sum of Three Pounds ſhall be paid to ſuch Receivers, or One of them, at ſuch Office as ſhall be appointed by the ſaid Receivers for that Purpoſe (of which Appointment publick Notice ſhall be given in the *London Gazette*) in Manner,

ner following; that is to ſay, One Pound, Part of every ſuch Sum of Three Pounds, ſhall be paid on or before the Twenty fifth Day of *July*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty three, and the remaining Two Pounds, on or before the Twenty ſixth Day of *October* following.

Managers of the Lottery.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That ſuch of the Managers and Directors of the Lottery eſtabliſhed by an Act of Parliament paſſed in the Twenty fourth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for granting to His Majeſty the Sum of Two millions one hundred thouſand Pounds, to be raiſed by Annuities and a Lottery,*

and charged on the Sinking Fund, *redeemable by Parliament*, as are now living and ſhall duly qualify themſelves according to this Act in that Behalf, ſhall be Managers and Directors for preparing and delivering out Tickets, and to overſee the drawing of Lots, and to order, do, and perform ſuch other Matters and Things, as are hereafter in and by this Act directed and appointed by ſuch Managers and Directors to be done and performed; and that ſuch Managers and Directors ſhall meet together, from time to time, at ſome publick Office or Place for the Execution of the Powers and Truſts in them repoſed by this Act; and that the ſaid Managers and Direc-

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tors (or ſo many of them as ſhall be preſent at any ſuch Meeting) or the major Part of them then preſent, ſhall cauſe Books to be prepared, in which every Leaf ſhall be divided or diſtinguiſhed into Three Columns, and upon the innermoſt of the ſaid Three Columns, there ſhall be printed Fifty thouſand Tickets, Part of One hundred thouſand by this Act intended to be made forth, to be numbered One, Two, Three, and ſo onwards in an arithmetical Progreſſion, where the common Exceſs ſhall be One, until they riſe to the Number of Fifty thouſand; and upon the middle Column in the ſaid Books ſhall be printed Fifty thouſand Tickets of the ſame

Books to be prepared by them with 3 Columns, and 50,000 printed Tickets.

Breadth and Form, and numbered in like Manner; and in the extreme Column of the ſaid Books, there ſhall be printed a Third Rank or Series of Tickets of the ſame Number with thoſe of the Two other Columns; which Tickets ſhall be ſeverally of an oblong Figure; and in the ſaid Books ſhall be joined with oblique Lines, Flouriſhes, or Devices, in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, ſhall think moſt ſafe and convenient: And that every Ticket in the Third or extreme Column of the ſaid Books ſhall have written or printed thereupon (beſides the Number of ſuch Ticket, and the

Form, &c. of the Tickets.

the preſent Year of our Lord Chriſt) Words to this Effect:

THE Bearer of this Ticket, in caſe it be drawn a Prize, is intitled to the Prize ſo drawn, payable within Forty Days after the Drawing of the Lottery is ended.

Other Books to be prepared with 2 Columns, and the like Number of Tickets.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Managers or Directors, or ſo many of them as ſhall be preſent at any ſuch Meeting, or the major Part of them, ſhall cauſe other Books to be prepared, in which every Leaf ſhall be divided or diſtinguiſhed into Two Columns, and upon the inner-

most of the said Two Columns, there shall be printed Fifty thousand Tickets, numbered One, Two, and Three, and so onwards in an arithmetical Progression ascending, where the Common Excess shall be One, until they rise to the Number of Fifty thousand; and upon the outermost Column of the said Books there shall be printed another Rank or Series of Tickets of the same Number with those in the said innermost Columns; which Tickets shall severally be of an oblong Figure, and in the said Books shall be joined with oblique Lines, Flourishes, and other Devices, in such manner as the said Managers and Directors, or the major

major Part of them, ſhall think moſt ſafe and convenient; and that every Ticket in the outermoſt Columns of the ſaid Books ſhall have written or printed thereupon (beſides the Number of ſuch Ticket) the ſame Words as are before in this Act directed to be written or printed upon the other Fifty thouſand Tickets firſt herein mentioned and directed to be prepared.

And in regard the Tickets herein before directed to be prepared in the Books with Two Columns, are to conſiſt of the ſame Numbers, and are to be attended with the ſame Chances with thoſe appointed to be prepared in the Books with Three Columns,

which are to be put into a Box, to be drawn in manner herein after mentioned; it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Chance of every Ticket in the ſaid Books containing Two Columns, ſhall be determined by the Drawing of the Tickets in the other Books containing Three Columns, ſo that in every Caſe where any numbered Ticket in the ſaid Books containing Three Columns, ſhall upon the Drawing thereof, be intitled to a Prize in Principal Money, the Ticket of the like Number in the Books containing Two Columns, ſhall be intitled to a Prize of like Value in Principal Money; and in every Caſe where any numbered

Chance of the Tickets in the Books with 2 Columns, to be determined by the Drawing of the Tickets of the Books with 3 Columns.

Ticket in the Books containing Three Columns ſhall not be a Prize, the Ticket of the like Number in the Books containing Two Columns, ſhall likewiſe be deemed an unfortunate Ticket.

4 of the Managers to be appointed Receivers of the Contributions,

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That ſuch Four of the Perſons named in the Commiſſion for appointing the Managers and Directors of the Lottery, eſtabliſhed by the ſaid Act paſſed in the Twenty fourth Year of His Majeſty's Reign, as ſhall be appointed by the ſaid Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, Lord Chancellor, or Lord Keeper, and the Speaker of the Houſe of Commons, or any Two of them, by Writing under their Hands and

and Seals, shall be Receivers; and each of them shall be a Receiver of the said Sums to be advanced or contributed by virtue of this Act, upon their entering jointly or severally into Bond or Bonds to the said Trustees by this Act appointed, and their Successors, for the due answering and paying of the Monies which they shall so jointly or severally receive, to the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, or their Cashier or Cashiers, for the several Purposes of this Act, within Three Days after such Monies shall be received.

who are to give Bond to the Trustees for the paying thereof into the Bank.

And it is hereby enacted, That the said Managers and Directors, or so many of them as shall be present at any such Meeting, or the major Part of

Managers to examine the Books with the Tickets,

of them, ſhall examine all the ſaid Books with the Tickets therein, and take Care that the ſame be contrived, numbered, and made according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act; and ſhall deliver, or cauſe to be delivered, the ſame Books, and every or any of them, as they ſhall be examined, to the ſaid Receivers, or ſome or One of them, taking from ſuch Receiver or Receivers an Acknowledgement in Writing under his or their Hands, importing his or their Receipt of ſuch Books, and ſo many Tickets therein, as ſhall be delivered to him or them reſpectively, that ſo the ſaid Receiver or Receivers may be charged to anſwer Three Pounds in Money for every

and deliver them to the Receivers, taking a Receipt for the ſame.

every One of the Tickets, in the extreme Columns, which ſhall be delivered to him or them, or for ſo many as he or they ſhall not deliver back to the ſaid Managers and Directors; and all and every ſuch Receiver or Receivers reſpectively is and are hereby directed and required, upon his or their receiving of every or any entire Sum of Three Pounds in full Payment for a Ticket from any Perſon or Perſons contributing or adventuring as aforeſaid, to cut out of One of the ſaid Books ſo to be put into his or their Cuſtody, through the ſaid oblique Lines, Flouriſhes, or Devices, Indentwiſe, One of the Tickets in the ſaid extreme Columns, which the ſaid Receiver

Receivers to iſſue out Tickets to the Contributors.

er or Receivers ſhall ſign with his or their own Name or Names; and they ſhall permit the Contributor or Adventurer (if it be deſired) to write his or her Name or Mark on the correſponding Ticket, in the ſame Book; and at the ſame Time the ſaid Receiver or Receivers ſhall deliver to the ſaid Contributor or Adventurer, the Ticket ſo cut off, which he or ſhe is to keep and uſe for the better aſcertaining and ſecuring of the Intereſt which he or ſhe, his or her Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns, ſhall or may have in ſuch Ticket.

Contributor may write his Name on the correſponding Ticket.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Receivers, and each of them ſhall, on or before

Receivers to re-deliver the Books and Tickets undiſpoſed of, to the Managers,

fore the Twenty eighth Day of *October*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty three, re-deliver to the ſaid Managers and Directors, at their ſaid Office or Place of Meeting, all the ſaid Books, and therein all the Tickets which the ſaid Receivers ſhall not have cut out and delivered to the Contributors as aforeſaid; and ſhall alſo deliver to the ſaid Managers and Directors, a true and juſt Account in Writing, under his or their Hands, of all Sums of Money accrued or come to the Hands of him or them reſpectively, by or for the Tickets delivered or to be delivered out purſuant to this Act, and how the ſame ſhall have been actually paid over by every ſuch Receiver in

with an Account of the Monies received, &c.

in purſuance of the Directions of this Act; and that the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them then preſent, ſhall cauſe all the Tickets (if any ſuch be) of the ſaid outermoſt Columns, which ſhall have been contributed for, and ſhall not have been delivered out to ſuch Contributors, to be ſealed up ſeparately for the Contributors, who ſhall be intitled to the Receipts, to be mentioned as correſponding to ſuch Tickets.

Tickets of the middle Columns to be rolled up and tied,

And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, ſhall cauſe all the Tickets of the middle Columns in the Books made out with

with Three Columns as aforeſaid, which ſhall be delivered back to them, by or from the ſaid Receivers as aforeſaid, to be carefully rolled up and made faſt with Thread or Silk; and the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, as aforeſaid, ſhall in their Preſence, and in the Preſence of ſuch Contributors or Adventurers as will be at any ſuch Meeting, cauſe all the ſaid Tickets, which are to be ſo rolled up and made faſt as aforeſaid, to be cut off Indentwiſe, through the ſaid Oblique Lines, Flouriſhes, or Devices, into a Box to be prepared for that Purpoſe, and to be marked with the Letter (*A*) which ſhall preſently be put into another ſtrong

and cut off into a Box marked with the Letter (*A*) to be locked up in another Box.

ſtrong Box, to be locked up with Seven different Locks and Keys, to be kept by as many of the ſaid Managers and Directors, and ſealed with their Seals, until the ſaid Tickets are to be drawn, as is hereinafter mentioned; and that the Tickets in the Firſt or innermoſt Columns of the ſame Books, ſhall remain in the Books, for diſcovering any Miſtake or Fraud (if any ſuch ſhould happen to be committed.)

Managers to prepare other Books, with 2 Columns, and 50,000 printed Tickets;

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Managers or Directors, or the major Part of them, preſent at any Meeting as aforeſaid, ſhall alſo prepare, or cauſe to be prepared, other Books, in which every Leaf

shall be divided or distinguish-ed into Two Columns, and upon each of those Two Columns, there shall be printed Fifty thousand Tickets, all which shall be of equal Length and Breadth as near as may be; which Two Columns in the said Books, shall be joined with some Flourish or Device, through which the outermost Tickets may be cut off Indent-wise; and that Four thousand one hundred and fifty nine Tickets, Part of those to be contained in the outermost Columns of the Books last-mentioned, shall be and be called the Fortunate Tickets, to which Benefits shall belong, as are herein after-mentioned; and the said Managers and Directors, or the major Part of

4,159 thereof to be Fortunate Tickets, *viz.*

of them, or ſuch of them as ſhall be preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, ſhall cauſe the ſaid Fortunate Tickets to be written upon, or otherwiſe expreſſed, as well in Figures as in Words at Length in Manner following; that is to ſay, Upon One of them, Ten thouſand Pounds; upon One other of them, Five thouſand Pounds; upon Two of them ſeverally, Two thouſand Pounds; upon Ten of them ſeverally, One thouſand Pounds; upon Fifteen of them ſeverally, Five hundred Pounds; upon One hundred and thirty of them ſeverally, One hundred Pounds; upon One thouſand of them ſeverally, Twenty Pounds; upon Three thouſand of them ſeverally, Ten Pounds: Which Sums ſo to be written or other-

1 of 10,000 *l.*
1 of 5,000 *l.*
2 of 2,000 *l.*
10 of 1,000 *l.*
15 of 500 *l.*
130 of 100 *l.*
1,000 of 20 *l.*
3,000 of 10 *l.*

wiſe expreſſed upon the ſaid Fortunate Tickets, together with Two hundred Pounds to be allowed to the Owner of the Firſt drawn Ticket, and Three hundred Pounds to the Owner of the Laſt drawn Ticket, beſides the Benefits which may happen to belong to the Two laſt-mentioned Tickets, will amount in the Whole to the Principal Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds; which Sum, together with the like Principal Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, by this Act made payable, in reſpect of the Fifty thouſand correſponding Tickets, of like Numbers, to be determined by the Drawing of the ſaid Lottery in Manner herein mentioned, do amount

with 200 *l.* to the Firſt, and 300*l.* to the Laſt drawn Ticket.

mount together to the Principal Sum of Two hundred thouſand Pounds; and the ſaid Managers or Directors, or the major Part of them, who ſhall be preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, ſhall cauſe all the ſaid Tickets contained in the outermoſt Columns of the laſt-mentioned Books, to be in the Preſence of the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, which ſhall be preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, and in the Preſence of ſuch Contributors or Adventurers as will then be there, carefully rolled up and faſtened with Thread or Silk, and carefully cut out Indentwiſe through the ſaid Flouriſh or Device, into another Box to be prepared for this Purpoſe, and to

The Tickets in the outermoſt Columns to be rolled up and tied,

and cut into a Box marked with the Letter (*B*) and locked up in another Box.

be marked with the Letter (*B*) which Box ſhall be preſently put into another ſtrong Box, and lockt up with Seven different Locks and Keys, to be kept by as many of the ſaid Managers and Directors, and ſealed up with their Seals, until thoſe Tickets ſhall alſo be drawn in the Manner and Form herein after mentioned; and that no Money ſhall be received from any Contributor or Adventurer, towards this Adventure as aforeſaid, after the ſaid Twenty Sixth Day of *October*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty three;

Tickets to be put into the Boxes 6 Days before drawing the Lottery;

and that the whole Buſineſs of rolling up and cutting off, and putting into the ſaid Boxes, the ſaid Tickets, and locking up and ſealing the ſaid Boxes,

ſhall be performed by the ſaid Managers and Directors, or ſuch of them as ſhall be preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, within Six Days at leaſt before the Drawing of the ſaid Lottery ſhall begin; and to the end every Perſon concerned may be well aſſured, that the Counterpart of the ſame Number, with his or her Ticket, is put into the Box marked with the Letter (*A*) from whence the ſame may be drawn, and that other Matters are done as hereby directed, ſome publick Notification in Print ſhall be given of the preciſe Time or Times of cutting the ſaid Tickets into the ſaid Boxes, to the end that ſuch Adventurers as ſhall be minded to ſee the ſame

and publick Notice to be given thereof.

done, may be present at the Doing thereof.

Drawing of the Lottery, to be on 26 *Nov.* 1753, and the Method to be observed therein.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That on or before the Twenty sixth Day of *November*, One thousand seven hundred and fifty three, the said Managers and Directors shall cause the said several Boxes, with all the Tickets therein, to be brought into the Guildhall of the City of *London* by Nine of the Clock in the Forenoon of the same Day, and placed on a Table there for that Purpose; and shall then and there severally attend this Service, and cause the Two Boxes containing the said Tickets to be severally taken out of the other Two Boxes, in which they shall have been locked up,

up, and the Tickets or Lots in the reſpective innermoſt Boxes being, in the Preſence of the ſaid Managers and Directors, or ſuch of them as ſhall be then preſent, and of ſuch Adventurers as ſhall be there for the Satisfaction of themſelves, well ſhaken and mingled in each Box diſtinctly; and that ſome One indifferent and fit Perſon to be appointed and directed by the Managers and Directors aforeſaid, or the major Part of them, or ſuch of them as ſhall be then preſent, ſhall take out and draw One Ticket from the Box where the ſaid numbered Tickets ſhall be, as aforeſaid, put; and One other indifferent and fit Perſon, to be appointed and directed in like

like Manner, shall presently take out a Ticket or Lot from the Box where the said Four thousand One hundred and fifty nine Fortunate, and Forty five thousand eight hundred and forty one Blank Tickets shall be promiscuously put as aforesaid; and immediately both the Tickets so drawn shall be opened, and the Number as well of the Fortunate as of the Blank Ticket shall be named aloud; and if the Ticket taken or drawn from the Box containing the Fortunate and Blank Lots shall appear to be a Blank, then the numbered Ticket so drawn with the said Blank, at the same Time drawn, shall be both put upon One File; and if the Ticket so drawn or taken

Blank Tickets to be filed;

en from the Box containing the Fortunate and Blank Lots ſhall appear to be One of the Fortunate Tickets, then the principal Sum written upon ſuch Fortunate Ticket, whatſoever it be, ſhall be entered by a Clerk, which the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them as aforeſaid, ſhall employ and overſee for this Purpoſe, into a Book to be kept for entering the Numbers coming up with the ſaid Fortunate Tickets, and the principal Sum whereunto they ſhall be entitled reſpectively; and Two of the ſaid Managers and Directors ſhall ſet their Names as Witneſſes to every ſuch Entry; and the ſaid Fortunate and numbered Tickets ſo drawn together

and the principal Sum written upon the Fortunate Tickets to be entered in a Book, and ſigned by 2 Managers;

and the Tickets to be filed.

together ſhall be put upon another File, and ſo the ſaid Drawing of Tickets ſhall continue by taking One Ticket at a Time out of each Box, and with opening, naming aloud, and filing the ſame, and by entering the Fortunate Lots in ſuch Method as is before-mentioned, until the whole Number of Four thouſand one hundred and fifty nine Fortunate Tickets, and One more, to be deemed the Laſt Drawn Ticket, ſhall be compleatly drawn; and if the Drawing of the ſaid Lottery cannot be performed in One Day's Time, the ſaid Managers or Directors ſhall cauſe the Boxes to be locked up and ſealed in Manner as aforeſaid, and adjourn till the next Day, and

and ſo from Day to Day, and every Day (except *Sundays*, *Chriſtmas Day*, and Faſt Days appointed by particular Acts of Parliament, or by the King's Proclamation) and then open the ſame, and proceed as above, till the whole Number of Four thouſand one hundred and fifty nine Fortunate Tickets, and One more, ſhall be compleatly drawn as aforeſaid; and afterwards the ſaid numbered Tickets ſo drawn with the Fortunate Tickets drawn againſt the ſame, ſhall be, and remain in a ſtrong Box locked up as aforeſaid, and under the Cuſtody of the ſaid Managers and Directors, until they ſhall take them out to examine, adjuſt,

adjust, and settle the Property thereof.

Numbers and Sums of the Fortunate Tickets to be printed; and the Managers to adjust all Disputes concerning the Property.

And to the end the Fortunate may know, whether absent or present, the Degree of their Success, the said Managers and Directors shall, as soon as conveniently may be after the Drawing of the Lottery is finished, cause to be printed and published the Numbers of all the Tickets drawn against the Fortunate Tickets, and the Principal Sums written on the same; and if any Contention or Dispute shall arise in the adjusting the Property of the said Fortunate Tickets, the major Part of the said Managers and Directors agreeing therein, shall determine to whom it doth or ought

ought to belong; and if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall forge or counterfeit any Ticket or Certificate to be made forth in purſuance of this Act, or alter any of the Numbers thereof, or utter, vend, barter, or diſpoſe of, or offer to diſpoſe of, any falſe, altered, forged, or counterfeited Ticket or Certificate, or ſhall bring any forged or counterfeit Ticket or Certificate, or any Ticket or Certificate, the Number whereof is altered (knowing the ſame to be ſuch) to the ſaid Managers and Directors, or any of them, or to the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of *Egland*, or their Caſhier or Caſhiers, or to any other Perſon or Perſons whatſoever,

Penalty of forging a Ticket or Certificate.

ſoever, with a fraudulent Intention, then every ſuch Perſon or Perſons being thereof convicted, ſhall be adjudged a Felon, and ſhall ſuffer Death as in Caſes of Felony, without Benefit of Clergy; and the ſaid Managers and Directors, or any Two or more of them, are hereby authorized to cauſe every Perſon bringing or uttering any ſuch forged or counterfeit Ticket or Certificate as aforeſaid, to be apprehended, and to commit him, her, or them, to His Majeſty's Gaol of *Newgate*, to be proceeded againſt for the ſaid Felony according to Law.

Managers to take the following Oath.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Perſon

ſon hereby continued and appointed as aforeſaid to be a Manager and Director for putting this Act in Execution, before his acting in ſuch Employment, ſhall take the Oath following; that is to ſay,

I A. B. *do ſwear, That I will faithfully execute the Truſts repoſed in me; and that I will not uſe any indirect Art or Means, or permit or direct any Perſon to uſe any indirect Art or Means, to obtain a Prize, or Fortunate Lot, for myſelf, or any other Perſon whatſoever; and that I will do the utmoſt of my Endeavours to prevent any undue or ſiniſter Practice to be done by any Perſon whatſoever;* The Oath.

ever ; and that I will to the beſt of my Judgement declare to whom any Prize, Lot, or Ticket, of Right doth belong, according to the true Intent and Meaning of an Act of Parliament made in the Twenty ſixth Year of His Majeſty's Reign in that Behalf.

Which Oath ſhall and may be adminiſtered by any Two or more of the other Managers and Directors.

Receivers may take in the Contributions before they receive the Books with the Tickets ;

Provided always, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Receivers, or any of them, having given Bond as aforeſaid, at any Time or Times before ſuch Receiver ſhall have received any Book or Books from the ſaid Managers

Managers and Directors, comprehending the ſaid Tickets, to receive from any Perſon or Perſons who will voluntarily offer to contribute and advance any Sum of Three Pounds, or ſeveral Sums of Three Pounds, upon this Act, not exceeding Twenty ſuch Sums for any One Perſon, or Body Politick or Corporate as aforeſaid, the Sums ſo offered to be contributed or advanced at One entire Payment, or in ſuch Proportions, and in ſuch Manner, as aforeſaid, before ſuch Receiver ſhall have received ſuch Book or Books; and every or any ſuch Receiver ſhall give a Note or Receipt under his Hand for the Sums ſo contributed, and

and give Receipts for the ſame, to be exchanged for Tickets.

ſhall be obliged thereby, and by this Act, to give the Bearer of every ſuch Note or Receipt a Ticket or Tickets of the extreme Column of the Book or Books aforeſaid, for every Three Pounds ſo contributed, paid, or anſwered, as ſoon as he ſhall be enabled by Delivery of any ſuch Book or Books to him from the ſaid Managers and Directors, as aforeſaid; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Contributor not paying the full Conſideration money within the Times limited, to forfeit what he ſhall have paid, &c.

Provided alſo, That in caſe any ſuch Contributor as aforeſaid, who ſhall have advanced and paid down to ſuch Receiver or Receivers a Proportion of his or her Conſideration-money, ſhall not advance

and pay, or cauſe to be advanced and paid, unto ſuch Receiver or Receivers the remaining Part of his or her Conſideration-money, ſo to be paid in full for ſuch Tickets as aforeſaid, on or before the Time herein appointed for Payment thereof; that then, and in every ſuch Caſe, every ſuch Contributor ſhall forfeit and loſe to the ſaid Truſtees, for the Purpoſes of this Act, the Proportion of his or her Purchaſe-money, which he or ſhe ſhall have ſo paid down as aforeſaid; and in ſuch Caſe, no Ticket or Tickets ſhall be delivered out by the ſaid Receiver or Receivers, unto ſuch Contributor making ſuch Default; but the Ticket or

Tickets which ſhould have been delivered to ſuch Contributor, had he or they paid the full Money for the ſame, ſhall and may be diſpoſed of by the ſaid Receivers, to any other Contributor for the Purpoſes of this Act.

Truſtees to grant Orders for Payment of incident Charges attending the Execution of this Act.

Provided always, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper, and the Speaker of the Houſe of Commons, or any Two of them, to grant Orders and Warrants under their Hands, for Payment to the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, of ſuch Sums of Money to carry on and diſcharge, from time to time, all

all ſuch incident Expences as may neceſſarily attend the Execution of the Truſts hereby in the ſaid Managers and Directors repoſed, in ſuch Manner as ſuch Archbiſhop, Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper, and Speaker, or any Two of them, ſhall, from time to time, think reaſonable, or direct in that Behalf; and the ſaid Managers and Directors, and Receivers, and each of them, ſhall obſerve ſuch Orders, Rules, and Directions, as they ſhall receive from ſuch Archbiſhop, Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper, and Speaker, or any Two of them, for the due Execution of this Act; and ſhall, from time to time, when thereunto required, by

Managers to obſerve the Orders given them,

and to exhibit an Account of the Monies received and diſburſed.

Writing under the Hands of such Archbishop, Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper, and Speaker, or any Two of them, exhibit, or cause to be exhibited to them, a just and true Account of all and every such Sum and Sums of Money as shall be received by them the said Managers and Directors, or received by such Receiver or Receivers, and how the same have been paid and applied; and shall produce, or cause to be produced, proper Vouchers for all such Sums as they shall pay in the Execution of the Trust hereby reposed in them, and shall pay the Balance, if any shall be remaining, into the Bank of *England*, to be applied to the Uses of this Act.

And

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That out of the Monies to be contributed by this Act, it ſhall and may be lawful for ſuch Archbiſhop, Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper, and Speaker, or any Two of them, in like Manner, to cauſe Payment to be made to each and every of the ſaid Managers and Directors of the Sum of One hundred Pounds each, for and in Conſideration of their Labour or Trouble, in the Execution of the ſeveral Matters herein before directed to be by them done and performed; and over and above the ſame Allowance, to cauſe in like Manner Payment to be made to each of the ſaid Receivers,

100*l.* allowed to each of the Managers for their Labour and Trouble,

and 150*l.* extraordinary to the Receivers,

ceivers, of the Sum of One hundred and fifty Pounds for his Labour and Trouble, in executing the ſaid Office of Receiver; and alſo the further Sum of One hundred Pounds to each of the Perſons hereby appointed to make and deliver Certificates, in exchange for the Tickets in the ſaid Lottery, in manner hereinafter mentioned, for their reſpective Labour and Trouble, in making out and delivering ſuch Certificates; and that all the Reſidue of the Money ariſing, and to be contributed by virtue of this Act, and paid into the Bank of *England*, for the Purpoſes of this Act, after Payment made by the Governor and Company of the Bank

and 100*l.* to the Perſons making out and delivering Certificates in Exchange for the Tickets.

Reſidue of the Money, after Payment of the Prizes, &c. to be lodged in the Bank, &c.

Bank of *England*, or Money ſufficient reſerved for the Payment of the Sum and Sums of Money hereby directed to be iſſued to the Proprietors of the Fortunate Tickets in the Lottery hereby eſtabliſhed, and other the Allowances to be made purſuant to this Act, ſhall be, from time to time, paid out of the Bank of *England*, in ſuch Manner, and in ſuch Proportions, and to ſuch Perſon or Perſons, as the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, at any General Meeting aſſembled, by their Order in Writing, ſhall direct and appoint; and the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* are hereby directed to make Payment of all

and to be iſſued according to Truſtees Orders.

all ſuch Sums of Money, as by the ſaid Archbiſhop, Lord Chancellor, or Lord Keeper, and Speaker, or any Two of them, in Manner aforeſaid, or by the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, in Manner herein after mentioned, ſhall be ordered to be paid, and ſhall ſuffer ſuch Perſon or Perſons as the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, at any General Meeting aſſembled, ſhall appoint for that Purpoſe, by Writing, to inſpect the Accounts thereof; all which Payments ſo to be made for or in Reſpect of the Lottery eſtabliſhed by this Act, ſhall be free from any Rates, Taxes, Duties, or Impoſitions whatſoever.

And

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no Perſon or Perſons ſhall ſell the Chance or Chances of any Ticket or Tickets in the ſaid Lottery, for a Day or Part of a Day, or for a longer Time than ſhall be leſs than the whole Time of drawing the Lottery; or ſhall receive any Money whatſoever, in Conſideration of the Repayment of any Sum or Sums of Money, in caſe any Ticket or Tickets in the ſaid Lottery ſhall prove Fortunate, or ſhall lay any Wager relating to the drawing of any Ticket or Tickets in the ſaid Lottery, either as to the Time of ſuch Ticket or Tickets being drawn, or whether ſuch Ticket or Tickets

Penalty of ſelling Chances of Tickets, &c.

or of laying Wagers relating to the drawing of Tickets.

ets be drawn Fortunate or Unfortunate: And all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall offend in any of the aforementioned Matters, ſhall forfeit and pay Treble the Sum and Sums of Money, which ſhall have been received by ſuch Perſon and Perſons, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter*, in which no Eſſoin, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance ſhall be allowed; One Moiety whereof to be for the Uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs, or Succeſſors, and the other

Application of the Forfeiture.

other Moiety to be paid to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall ſue for the ſame; and every ſuch Sale, Wager, or Contract, and every Agreement relating thereto, ſhall be, and is hereby declared to be null and void.

Penalty of keeping an Office, or publiſhing any Scheme for receiving Money, in Conſideration of an Intereſt to be granted for the ſame in any Ticket, or Repayment of any Sum, in caſe ſuch Ticket prove Fortunate.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall keep any Office, or print or publiſh any Scheme or Propoſal, for receiving any Sum or Sums of Money, in Conſideration of an Intereſt to be granted for the ſame, in any Ticket or Number of Tickets in the ſaid Lottery, or in Conſideration of any Sum or Sums to be repaid, in caſe any Ticket or Number of Tickets in the

the ſaid Lottery ſhall prove Fortunate, all and every ſuch Perſon and Perſons ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five hundred Pounds, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter*, in which no Eſſoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance ſhall be allowed; One Moiety whereof to be for the Uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs, or Succeſſors, and the other Moiety to be paid to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall ſue for the ſame, and alſo ſhall ſuffer Three Months Impriſonment without Bail or Mainprize.

Application of the Penalties.

And

And whereas many and great Inconveniencies have ariſen upon the Occaſion of former Lotteries, by the exceſſive Advance of the Price of Tickets, eſpecially during the Time of drawing ſuch Lotteries; for Remedy thereof, be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the Twenty fourth Day of *November*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty three, it ſhall not be lawful for any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, to ſell, buy, alienate, deliver, or receive, by way of Bargain or Sale, any Ticket in the ſaid Lottery, or any Receipt for Tickets to be made out in purſuance of this Act; and every Perſon who ſhall ſo

Penalty on Perſons who ſhall ſell or buy Tickets, &c. after 24 *Nov.*

ſell, alienate, or deliver, any Ticket, or Receipt for Tickets, ſhall forfeit and loſe the Sum of Ten Pounds for every Ticket which ſhall be ſo ſold, alienated, or delivered, and for every Ticket which ſhall be contained in any Receipt for Tickets ſo ſold, alienated, or delivered; and ſhall, upon Conviction, be committed to the County Gaol, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize, for the Space of One Calendar Month, and until the Sums ſo forfeited as aforeſaid, ſhall be fully paid and ſatisfied; and every Perſon ſo buying or receiving ſuch Ticket, or Receipt for Tickets, ſhall forfeit and loſe the ſame, and ſhall not be intitled to receive

ceive any Benefit from the drawing ſuch Tickets; all which Penalties ſhall and may be recovered by Action or Information in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter*, or before any Two of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace of the County, City, Diviſion, or Liberty, where ſuch Offence ſhall be committed, or the Offender ſhall be found, upon the Oath or Oaths of One or more credible Witneſs or Witneſſes (which Oaths ſuch Juſtices are hereby impowered and required to adminiſter) all ſuch Penalties to be applied One Third Part to the Uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors, One other Third Part

Recovery and Application of the Penalties.

thereof to the Informer, and the remaining Third Part thereof to the Poor of the Pariſh where ſuch Offence ſhall be committed; and in caſe any Perſon ſhall find himſelf aggrieved by any Determination of the Juſtices, it ſhall be lawful for ſuch Perſon to appeal to the Quarter Seſſions for the ſaid County, City, Diviſion, or Liberty, whoſe Determination ſhall be final.

Perſons aggrieved may appeal to the Quarter Seſſions.

And be it further enacted, That all Receipts and Iſſues, and all other Things directed by this Act to be performed by any Officers or Perſons, for or in reſpect of the Lottery hereby eſtabliſhed, ſhall be performed by them without any other Fee, Gratuity, or Reward, than

Penalty of Officers taking other Fees than what are allowed by this Act, or of otherwiſe being unfaithful in the Diſcharge of their Duty.

than what ſhall be allowed by virtue or under Authority of this Act; and in caſe any ſuch Officer or Perſon ſhall take or demand any Fee or Reward, otherwiſe than as aforeſaid, or ſhall divert or apply any of the Sums to be paid purſuant to this Act, otherwiſe than according to the Intent of this Act, or ſhall not keep Books, and cauſe Entries to be made, and do and perform all other Things which by this Act they are reſpectively required to do and perform, every ſuch Officer ſhall forfeit his Place, and ſhall anſwer and pay Treble Damages and Coſts of Suit to any Adventurer, or the Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns of any Adventurer, or to

any other Perſon or Perſons that will ſue for the ſame, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter*, wherein no Eſſoin, Protection, Wager of Law, Injunction, or Order of Reſtraint, or more than One Imparlance ſhall be allowed or granted; and in the ſaid Action the Plaintiff, upon Recovery, ſhall have Full Coſts; One Third Part of which Sum ſo to be recovered, ſhall be paid into the Bank of *England*, to be applied towards carrying into Execution the Purpoſes of this Act; and the other Two Thirds thereof ſhall be to the Uſe of him, her,

Application of the Forfeiture.

her, or them, who ſhall ſue for the ſame.

If the whole Number of Tickets ſhall not be ſubſcribed for, &c.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That in caſe the whole Number of One hundred thouſand Tickets in ſuch intended Lottery ſhall not be ſubſcribed or contributed for, or the Reſidue, (if any unſubſcribed) ſhall not be declared by the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them at any General Meeting aſſembled, to be drawn and riſqued for the Purpoſes of this Act (which Declaration the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, are hereby authorized to make) then, and in ſuch Caſe, the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major

the Directors to apportion Two Thirds of the Money contributed, in Prizes,

Part of them, ſhall apportion Two Third Parts of the Money that ſhall have been actually contributed for the Purchaſe of ſuch other Tickets, in Prizes, according to their Diſcretions, having Regard, as near as may be, to the Diſtribution of Prizes or Fortunate Lots, by this Act appointed, for the ſaid whole Number of One hundred thouſand Tickets, ſo as no ſuch Prize be for leſs than Ten Pounds, and no other greater Prize be computed for any fractional Part of a Pound, and ſhall cauſe publick Notice to be given thereof; and then, and in ſuch Caſe only, ſuch a Number of Tickets as ſhall ſerve to anſwer the exact Numbers

and to give publick Notice thereof,

Numbers of Tickets as ſhall have been ſubſcribed or contributed for, or riſqued by the ſaid Truſtees as aforeſaid, and ſuch a Number of Blanks and Prizes, and ſuch Sums in Prizes, as ſhall have been apportioned as aforeſaid, ſhall be cut and put into the ſeveral proper Boxes, and drawn out in manner by this Act directed; any thing in this Act before contained to the contrary thereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

and ſuch a Number only of Tickets to be drawn as ſhall be ſubſcribed for.

And to the end that all and every the Payments upon the Fortunate Tickets may be more eaſily and duly made to the Perſons who ſhall be intitled thereto; be it further enacted

enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That within the Space of Forty Days after the ſaid Drawing ſhall be compleated and ended, the ſaid Fortunate Tickets ſo to be drawn as aforeſaid, ſhall be exchanged for Certificates, to be ſigned by the Managers or Directors herein after appointed for that Purpoſe, or the major Part of them; which Certificates ſhall be made upon Paper, expreſſing the Sum or Sums to be paid to the Perſon or Perſons intitled to the Fortunate Tickets, in lieu whereof ſuch Certificates ſhall be given; and the ſaid Managers and Directors ſhall give publick Notice of the Days and Times for taking in the ſaid

Within 40 Days after drawing the Lottery, the Prize Tickets to be exchanged for Certificates;

and the Managers to give Notice for that Purpoſe, &c.

ſaid Tickets, and for delivering out the Certificates for and in lieu of the ſame; and every Certificate ſhall be numbered as near as may be, in ſuch Courſe and Order, as the Tickets for which the ſame are to be made out, ſhall be brought to the ſaid Managers and Directors; for which Purpoſe, Books ſhall be kept, wherein ſhall be entered the Name of every Perſon bringing any Ticket or Tickets ſo to be exchanged, and the Number or Numbers of ſuch Ticket or Tickets, and the Day of the Month and the Year of our Lord when the ſame was ſo brought in; which Book and Books ſhall lie open in the Office to be appointed

Books to be kept for entering the Tickets, and Names of the Perſons bringing the ſame;

appointed for taking in the ſaid Tickets ſo to be exchanged, to the Intent the ſame may be peruſed by all Perſons concerned, and alſo that any Perſon or Perſons may include as many Tickets into One Certificate, as they ſhall think fit; which Certificate ſhall be made out unto and in the Name of the reſpective Perſon or Perſons who ſhall bring the ſaid Tickets to be exchanged for the ſaid Certificate or Certificates, or whoſe Names ſhall be indorſed on the ſaid Tickets as the Owners or Proprietors thereof; and ſuch Certificates ſhall intitle ſuch Owners or Proprietors, or their Order or Aſſigns, to the Sum and Sums therein reſpectively expreſſed

and the Certificates to be made out in their Names, or the Indorſers;

to

to be due; and ſhall be payable and paid by the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England,* or their Caſhier or Caſhiers, upon Demand, out of the Monies that ſhall have been paid into the Bank of *England* by the ſaid Receivers, for the Purpoſes of this Act. and to be paid on Demand at the Bank.

And whereas the making and delivering of Certificates in exchange for the Fortunate Tickets of the ſaid Lottery, and the other Matters and Things directed by this Act to be done and performed by the ſaid Managers and Directors, ſubſequent to the Drawing of the Lottery, will not neceſſarily require the Service and Attendance of the whole Number

Number of ſuch Managers and Directors; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Four Managers and Directors as ſhall be in purſuance of this Act appointed Receivers of the Contributions to the ſaid Lottery, or ſuch of them as ſhall be then living, ſhall be and are hereby authorized and required to exchange the ſaid Fortunate Tickets for Certificates, and to do all other Acts, Matters, and Things, which are by this Act appointed and directed to be done, executed, and performed, by the Managers and Directors after the Drawing of the Lottery; and all Matters and Things to be done and performed by the ſaid

The Four Receivers to exchange the Tickets for Certificates.

ſaid Managers ſo appointed for exchanging Tickets for Certificates, or the major Part of them, ſhall be as good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if the ſame had been done, performed, and executed, by all the Managers and Directors appointed by this Act; and from and after ſuch End made of the Drawing of the ſaid Lottery, the reſt of the ſaid whole Number of Managers and Directors ſhall be diſcharged from all future Service and Attendance required from and incumbent upon them by virtue of this Act.

The reſt of the Managers diſcharged from attending after the Drawing is over.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Proprietors of the Fortu-

All Prize Tickets to be brought in and exchanged by 31 *Dec.* 1754;

Fortunate Tickets to be drawn in the ſaid Lottery as aforeſaid, and each of them, ſhall on or before the Thirty firſt Day of *December*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty four, apply to the ſaid Managers and Directors, for exchanging Tickets for Certificates, and deliver for that Purpoſe ſuch Fortunate Tickets ſo to be exchanged; and that in Default thereof, no Certificates ſhall be given in Exchange for any Fortunate Tickets, not brought in for that Purpoſe, on or before that Day; and the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, or their Caſhier or Caſhiers, ſhall not pay any Sum or Sums of Money which would have otherwiſe been due on

No Certificates to be afterwards granted;

but the Bank to detain the Money in their Hands, and bring it to the Account of the Truſtees.

on ſuch Fortunate Tickets, not brought in to be exchanged for Certificates, on or before the ſaid Thirty firſt Day of *December*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty four, but ſhall detain all ſuch Sum and Sums of Money in their Hands, and bring the ſame to the Account of the ſaid Truſtees, to be applied by them, or the major Part of them, for the other Purpoſes of their Truſt.

Application of the Monies ariſing by this Act.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all the Monies which ſhall ariſe from the ſaid Lottery, ſubject to the Charge of Management thereof, after Payment made, or Money ſufficient reſerved for the Payment of the Sums hereby directed to be iſſued to the Proprietors of the Fortu-

nate Tickets, shall be appropriated, and in Manner herein after-mentioned, issued, applied, and reserved to the several Uses, Intents, and Purposes herein after expressed, and to no other Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever; that is to say, In the first Place the full and clear Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds, Part thereof, shall, before the Eleventh Day of *January*, One thousand seven hundred and fifty four, be issued by Order of the said Trustees, or the major Part of them, at any General Meeting assembled, to the Executors of Sir *Hans Sloane*, or the Survivors or Survivor of them, in Consideration of his said *Museum* or Collection, and of the Use and Benefit of the

20,000 *l.* to the Executors of Sir *Hans Sloane.*

the ſaid Manor Houſe and Garden, with the Appurtenances and Water, until ſuch Time as the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection ſhall be removed to the ſaid General Repoſitory: In the next Place, and in like Manner, ſhall be iſſued to the ſaid Counteſs of *Oxford* and Counteſs *Mortimer*, and her Truſtees, the full and clear Sum of Ten thouſand Pounds, or ſo much thereof as, together with the Legacy of Seven thouſand Pounds bequeathed to the Truſtees of the *Cottonian Library*, in Manner above mentioned, ſhall be ſufficient, in caſe the ſaid Legacy ſhall, before that Time, take Effect, to pay the Price for the ſaid *Harleian Collection of Manuſcripts*, ſo as

10,000 *l.* to the Counteſs of *Oxford* and Counteſs *Mortimer*.

the ſaid Collection, until ſuch Time as the ſaid General Repoſitory ſhall be erected or provided for the Reception thereof, ſhall remain in the Place where the ſame is now lodged, or in ſome other convenient Place to be approved by the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them ſo aſſembled, and ſhall be there preſerved and maintained at the Coſts and Charges of the ſaid Counteſs of *Oxford* and Counteſs *Mortimer*, and her Truſtees; after Payment of which ſeveral Sums of Twenty thouſand Pounds, and Ten thouſand Pounds, ſo much Money ſhall and may be iſſued and applied by Order of the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them ſo aſſembled, as ſhall

be ſufficient to defray the Expence of erecting or providing the ſaid General Repoſitory, and of the neceſſary Furniture thereof, and of ſuch Cabinets, Book Caſes, and other Conveniences or Embelliſhments, as the Condition of the ſeveral Collections in the ſaid General Repoſitory contained, ſhall require; and alſo of the Expence which may be incurred in preſerving and maintaining the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection of Sir *Hans Sloane*, at his ſaid Manor Houſe at *Chelſea*, during ſuch Time as the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection ſhall remain there, and in removing the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection; and alſo in removing the *Cottonian Library*, and the Additions thereunto made

A General Repoſitory to be provided thereout, and other neceſſary Expences attending the preſerving the *Muſeum*, *Cottonian Library*, and *Harleian Collection of Manuſcripts*.

or

or to be made, and the *Harleian Collection of Manuſcripts*, to the ſaid General Repoſitory; which Expence being defrayed, the Sum of Thirty thouſand Pounds ſhall and may be reſerved to be placed out at Intereſt, by Order of the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them, in any General Meeting aſſembled, in any Parliamentary Security or Securities, or to be lent, from time to time, in Part, or in the Whole, upon the Credit of any Taxes or Duties impoſed by Parliament, at ſuch Intereſt for the Forbearance of ſuch Loan, as by any Act impoſing ſuch Taxes or Duties, or any other Act, ſhall be limited; the Intereſt of which Sum

30,000 *l.* to be put out at Intereſt in the publick Funds, towards Payment of Officers Salaries, and other neceſſary Expences.

Sum of Thirty thouſand Pounds ſo reſerved, ſhall and may be iſſued and applied, by like Order of the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them ſo aſſembled, for and towards Payment of the Salaries and Allowances which, in Manner aforeſaid, ſhall be aſſigned by the ſaid Truſtees to the Officers and Servants attending or aſſiſting in the ſaid General Repoſitory, and for and towards the Payment of ſuch other Coſts and Charges as the Cuſtody and Preſervation of the ſaid ſeveral Collections, and the Repairs or Alterations of the ſaid General Repoſitory, and the due Execution of the Truſt hereby repoſed in the ſaid Truſtees, ſhall require: And if

if after Payment of the ſaid firſt-mentioned Sum of Twenty thouſand Pounds, and of the ſaid Sum of Ten thouſand Pounds, or Part thereof, upon the Contingency herein before-mentioned; and after Payment of ſo much Money as the Expence of erecting, or providing and furniſhing the ſaid General Repoſitory, and of ſuch Cabinets, Book Caſes, and other Conveniences, and Embelliſhments, and of maintaining or preſerving the ſaid *Muſeum* or Collection of Sir *Hans Sloane* at the ſaid Manor Houſe at *Chelſea*, and of removing the ſaid ſeveral Collections to the ſaid General Repoſitory, ſhall amount to; and if, after reſerving the laſt-mentioned Sum

Sum of Thirty thouſand Pounds for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, any Surplus ſhall remain of the Monies ſo raiſed by virtue of this Act, the ſame ſhall be reſerved for the future Diſpoſition of Parliament.

The Surplus, if any, to be reſerved for the future Diſpoſition of Parliament;

Provided always, That in the mean Time, until ſuch Surplus ſhall be diſpoſed of by Parliament, it ſhall be lawful to and for the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them ſo aſſembled as aforeſaid, to place out or lend the ſaid Surplus, or any Part thereof, upon ſuch Securities, and upon ſuch Credit, as they are herein before impowered to place out or lend the ſaid Sum of Thirty thouſand Pounds herein before directed to be reſerved, the Proceed or Intereſt thereof, until

and may be placed out at Intereſt, to be applied to the Uſes of this Act.

the Principal Money shall be so disposed of by Parliament, to be applied to such Uses, for the better accomplishing the Design of this Act, as by the said Trustees, or the major Part of them, in any General Meeting assembled, shall be limited and directed.

FINIS.